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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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FOR: A METAL OXIDE ORGANOPOLYSILOXANE HYBRID POWDER AND A METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF AND A COSMETIC COMPOSITION THEREWITH

Date: February 20, 2002

The Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the herewith filed application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 12 and 13 in their entirety and without prejudice.

Please enter the following new claims:

--14. (New) A cosmetic composition comprising the metal oxide organopolysiloxane hybrid powder of any one of claims 1 to 3.

15. (New) A cosmetic composition comprising the metal oxide organopolysiloxane hybrid powder of claim 4.